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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-10(cancelled).

Claim 11 (currently amended) A detergent ~~composition~~ tablet comprising:

(a) a surfactant component selected from the group consisting of an anionic surfactant, a nonionic surfactant, an amphoteric surfactant, and mixtures thereof;

(b) a non-enzymatic protein and/or derivative thereof in an amount of from 0.1% to 10% by weight, based on the weight of the tablet;

(c) a zeolite; and

(d) a disintegrating agent[[, and wherein the detergent composition is in a solid form]].

Claim 12 (currently amended): The composition of claim 11 wherein the surfactant component is present in the ~~composition~~ tablet in an amount of from about 1 to 50% by weight, based on the weight of the ~~composition~~ tablet.

Claim 13 (currently amended): The composition of claim 11 wherein the surfactant component is present in the ~~composition~~ tablet in an amount of from about 5 to 25% by weight, based on the weight of the ~~composition~~ tablet.

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Claim 14 (cancelled).

Claim 15 (currently amended): The composition of claim 11 wherein the non-enzymatic protein is present in the ~~composition~~ tablet in an amount of from about 1 to 8% by weight, based on the weight of the ~~composition~~ tablet.

Claim 16 (currently amended): The composition of claim 11 wherein the zeolite is present in the ~~composition~~ tablet in an amount of from about 10 to 60% by weight, based on the weight of the ~~composition~~ tablet.

Claim 17 (currently amended): The composition of claim 11 wherein the zeolite is present in the ~~composition~~ tablet in an amount of from about 20 to 40% by weight, based on the weight of the ~~composition~~ tablet.

Claim 18 (currently amended): The composition of claim 11 wherein the disintegrating agent is present in the ~~composition~~ tablet in an amount of from about 0.1 to 25% by weight, based on the weight of the ~~composition~~ tablet.

Claim 19 (currently amended): The composition of claim 11 wherein the disintegrating agent is present in the ~~composition~~ tablet in an amount of from about 1 to 20% by weight, based on the weight of the ~~composition~~ tablet.

Claim 20 (currently amended): The composition of claim 11 wherein the ~~composition~~ tablet is free of cationic surfactant.

Claim 21 (currently amended): A process for making a solid-form detergent ~~composition~~

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tablet which imparts a soft feel onto clothes treated therewith comprising:

(a) providing a surfactant component selected from the group consisting of ~~[[an]]~~ anionic surfactants, ~~[[a]]~~ nonionic surfactants, ~~[[an]]~~ amphoteric surfactants, and mixtures thereof;

(b) providing a non-enzymatic protein and/or derivative thereof in an amount of from 0.1% to 10% by weight based on the weight of the tablet;

(c) providing a zeolite;

(d) providing a disintegrating agent;

(e) mixing (a)-(d) to form a detergent mixture; and

(f) forming the detergent mixture into a solid tablet.

Claim 22 (currently amended): The process of claim 21 wherein the surfactant component is present in the ~~composition~~ tablet in an amount of from about 1 to 50% by weight, based on the weight of the ~~composition~~ tablet.

Claim 23 (currently amended): The process of claim 21 wherein the surfactant component is present in the ~~composition~~ tablet in an amount of from about 5 to 25% by weight, based on the weight of the ~~composition~~ tablet.

Claim 24 (cancelled).

Claim 25 (currently amended): The process of claim 21 wherein the non-enzymatic protein is present in the ~~composition~~ tablet in an amount of from about 1 to 8% by weight, based on the weight of the ~~composition~~ tablet.

Claim 26 (currently amended): The process of claim 21 wherein the zeolite is present in

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the ~~composition~~ tablet in an amount of from about 10 to 60% by weight, based on the weight of the ~~composition~~ tablet.

Claim 27 (currently amended): The process of claim 21 wherein the zeolite is present in the ~~composition~~ tablet in an amount of from about 20 to 40% by weight, based on the weight of the ~~composition~~ tablet.

Claim 28 (currently amended): The process of claim 21 wherein the disintegrating agent is present in the ~~composition~~ tablet in an amount of from about 0.1 to 25% by weight, based on the weight of the ~~composition~~ tablet.

Claim 29 (currently amended): The process of claim 21 wherein the disintegrating agent is present in the ~~composition~~ tablet in an amount of from about 1 to 20% by weight, based on the weight of the ~~composition~~ tablet.

Claim 30 (currently amended): The process of claim 21 wherein the ~~composition~~ tablet is free of cationic surfactant.